

the end of last week to the Clerk. What it does is authorize the usage of this fund, the Underground Petroleum Tank Cash Fund, to match federal tank clean-up funds. There is an obligation in coming years to provide a state match and our means to do that match do not now include this fund and most appropriately should. There isn't any need for this coming year because the obligation to match doesn't come into play but in about a second year's time we will need a 10 percent state match to offset or to assist federal clean-up efforts. We need a way of designating some money to do that. This fund exists. It is being built up. It is a perfect opportunity to provide by statute that this money can match federal funds and in that way leverage the opportunity for some federal money for tank clean up should that be necessary. The amendment authorizes the state to designate monies from this fund which is, as you know, a fee based fund to match federal clean up efforts and that kind of state effort has to be shown before the federals will assist us in cleaning up underground tank leakage. For that reason I would move for the adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Landis, there are no further lights on for discussion on the Landis amendment. Do you have anything further to say? Thank you, Senator Landis. All those in favor of the Landis amendment vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Please vote. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Landis's amendment.

SENATOR LABEDZ: The amendment is adopted. Are there any further amendments on the bill?

CLERK: Nothing further on the bill, Madam President.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Landis, on the advancement to E & R Initial on LB 365.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Madam Speaker, and let me explain the bill for those of you who are watching with bated breath the progress of LB 365. This amendment, this bill actually was suggested to me by the State Fire Marshal's Office who hold the initial obligation to carry out the underground storage tank enforcement system. We originally drew our definition of underground tanks in a way that expanded or created too broad of a definition. In essence, it caught us in regulating above